IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re Application of

Yutaka Kobayashi

Serial No.: 09/893,791

Filed: June 29, 2001

Group Art Unit: 2815

Examiner: Chu, Chris C.

For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND METHOD FOR FABRICATING SAME

Honorable Commissioner of Patents Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 10, 2003, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Claims 1-4 and 16-23 are pending. Claims 1, 4, and 20 are independent claims.

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